

# OREGON VEGETABLES

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## Oregon Vegetable Production

Summer storage bulb onion production in Oregon totaled 14,236 thousand hundred weight in 2010. This is an increase of 7 percent from last year. Malheur County accounted for 8,362 thousand hundred weight and all Other Oregon accounted for 5,874. Statewide, harvested bulb onion acres totaled 20,200 in 2010, compared to 20,300 acres in 2009. Value of production in Malheur County is estimated at \$77,083,000 and \$53,207,000 in all Other Oregon, for a total of \$130,290,000 statewide. Price per hundred weight in 2010 is down 25 percent from 2009, but up 45 percent from 2008. Onion growers had an overall good onion season, despite being delayed two to three weeks for harvest due to cold and wet spring conditions that slowed bulb growth and development.

Oregon ranks 5<sup>th</sup> in the nation for harvested acreage of processed vegetables, harvesting about 4.7 percent of the national total. Production of processing sweet corn decreased 15.7 percent to 202,280 tons. Total value of production also had a decrease, down 36 percent from 2009, with prices at \$88.80 per ton. Processing snap bean production decreased slightly from 112,600 tons in 2009 to 108,350 tons in 2010. Total value decreased 17 percent from the previous year. Green peas for processing yields were up slightly at 1.98 tons per acre, but with harvested acreage down 17.6 percent, total production is down 8.6 percent at 28,700 tons. Price per ton is also down to \$196.00 bringing total value of production down 30 percent.

The production of fresh market sweet corn decreased 16 percent from 2009 to a total of 287 thousand hundred weight in 2010. Oregon ranks 18<sup>th</sup> in the nation for value of production of fresh sweet corn, with a total value of 7.89 million dollars. Garlic production decreased, while prices increased. Squash production and prices decreased.

Vegetables: Acres harvested, production, and value, Oregon, 2009-2010

Area	Acres harvested		Production		Value	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
<b>Fresh Market</b>						
Sweet corn	4,900	4,100	343	287	9,433	7,893
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
<b>Processing</b>						
Green peas	17,600	14,500	31,400	28,700	8,019	5,621
Snap beans	18,950	16,800	112,600	108,350	24,307	20,205
Sweet corn	24,000	20,000	240,000	202,280	28,140	17,954
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
<b>Dual Usage <sup>1</sup></b>						
Bulb onions						
Malheur County	11,200	11,300	7,840	8,362	98,670	77,083
Other Oregon	9,100	8,900	5,460	5,874	64,800	53,207
Garlic	800	350	112	38	2,520	3,429
Squash	2,300	2,200	404	325	10,568	3,025

<sup>1</sup> Dual usage includes both fresh market and processing.